Vintage catalog in a currency crop

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THE MOST impressive of several numismatic books published recently is the first edition of Albert Pick's "Standard Catalog of World Paper Money."

The 720-page, \$15 book is one of the most comprehensive works on world currency ever published. More than 20,000 notes from 249 countries are listed by date. Current market values are included, as are more than 4,000 photographs.

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Krause Publications, Inc. [Iola, Wis. 54945] is the publisher in the United States. The book is similar in size and format to Krause Publications' "Standard Catalog of World Coins" by Chester L. Krause and Clifford Mishler.

Another book on paper money, the eighth edition of "Paper Money of the United States" by Robert and Jack Friedberg, has been released by the publisher, Coin and Currency Institute, Inc. [393 Seventh Av., New York, N.Y. 10001].

This hardback book, costing \$17.50, is regarded as the standard reference on U.S.

paper money. In addition to listing current selling prices, it includes illustrations and a text that describes each variety of U.S. currency. A detailed listing of National Bank notes by state is included in a supplement.

Some other recently published numismatic books:

• "How to Order Foreign Coins," 10th edition, by the editors of the periodical "World Coins." Includes addresses of world mints, charts showing intrinsic values of world silver and gold coins, a listing of world mint marks in use since 1500, and a listing of coin books printed around the world since 1966. Price: \$2.50. Publisher:

Amos Press, Inc., P.O. Box 150, Sidney, Ohio 45365.

- "Guidebook of Franklin Mint Issues" by Virginia Culver and Chester L. Krause. Lists 8,000 Franklin Mint issues made from 1965 to 1973, with information about mintages, valuations, subjects on the medals, and sculptors. Price: \$6.50. Publisher: Krause Publications, Inc., Iola, Wis. 54945.
- "The Official Guide to Mint Errors" by Alan Herbert. Analyzes 150 classes of mint errors with illustrations, textual material, and selling prices. Price: \$2.95. Publisher: House of Collectibles, Inc., P. O. Box D, Florence, Ala. 35630.